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COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany

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TOPIC Soviet Artillery and AAA Units in RATHENOW

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

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REMARKS [REDACTED]

The following observations were made in RATHENOW (N 53/Z 15):

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1. Kaserne near the North railroad station on Neustaedterstrasse: *
Occupied by a unit wearing red epaulets.
2. Kaserne bordering on the mentioned kaserne in the direction
of NEUSTADT (N 53/Z 18): **
Occupied to capacity by an artillery unit.
3. Kaserne bordering on the mentioned kaserne, also in the direction
of NEUSTADT: ***

a. Occupied to capacity by an AAA unit.
A hundred to a hundred and twenty AA guns were stored in three,
about 330-foot long sheds. Thirty heavy AA guns of about 120 mm
caliber with about 16.5-foot long gun barrels were seen.

25X1 b. Trucks [REDACTED] and tank truck [REDACTED] were
parked in the kaserne area.

25X1 c. A heavily guarded, large ammunition bunker with spur track
and surrounded by three watchtowers with spotlights was oppo-
site the kaserne, about 1,600 feet west of the road to NEUSTADT.

25X1 Truck [REDACTED] was seen heading for the bunker.

d. About 20 soldiers were constructing AA gun emplacements,
interconnected by communication trenches in the area between the
bunker and Neustaedterstrasse.

25X1 [REDACTED] Comment:

The three mentioned kasernes belong to a large block of kasernes,
designated "Wald Kasernen", on Breitscheidstrasse (formerly
Schlieffenstrasse) near the North railroad station, RATHENOW.
The block of Wald Kasernes is composed of the following kasernes:

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- * Former Infanterie Kaserne
- ** Former Pionier Kaserne
- *** Former Kraftfahrer Kaserne.

All three kasernes are occupied by component units of the 6th Arty Div, with the former Kraftfahrer Kaserne being occupied by AAA units (of the 2d Gds AAA Div?) also.

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